State of California Department of Parks and Recreation

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

FROM:

TO: Office of Planning and Research

1400 Tenth Street Sacramento, CA 95814 Department of Parks and Recreation

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PROJECT TITLE: Install Underground Utilities between Entrance Kiosk and J.S. Cain Residence

LOCATION: Bodie State Historic Park COUNTY: Mono

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:

Excavate a trench approximately 2 feet deep by 2 feet wide and install utility lines including propane, electrical, and telephone between the Moyle Residence and the Bodie Entrance Station via the perimeter road. Excavate another trench approximately 1 foot wide by 2 feet deep from the Moyle house to the J.S. Cain House via Fuller and Green Streets. The lines will surface at the bridge spanning the seasonal drainage on Fuller Street, and cross the drainage via conduit suspended under the bridge. Install a water line and self-draining hose bib at the northeast corner of the Moyle House for fire protection.

A DPR-qualified archaeologist will monitor ground-disturbing work in areas of high cultural resource sensitivity. Monitoring will coincide with the implementation of the project and will involve systematic screen testing of material from the trench spoils. Ground disturbing work shall be suspended if potentially significant archaeological resources are exposed by project-related activities. Proposed project work shall resume only after a proper archaeological data treatment program has been designed and implemented.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT: California Department of Parks and Recreation

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Sierra District

EXEMPT STATUS:

Categorical Exemption

Class: 1,4,6 Section: 15301,15304,15306

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:

Project consists of basic (archaeological) data collection and resource evaluation activities which do not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource; minor alteration of an existing public structure, included as "minor utility upgrade" in the Department of Parks and Recreation's list of exempt activities, in accordance with CCR § 15300.4; and minor alteration in the condition of land and/or vegetation (minor trenching and backfilling where the surface is restored) which does not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees.

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